NEXXT SCHOLARS

Professional Development & Career Advancement Program for Undergraduate Women Studying Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

NeXXt Scholars Program College Directory for Matriculation in the Fall of 2014:

Undergraduate STEM Curriculum Highlights and Features of Participating U.S. Women's Colleges

Table 1A: Focus Countries and Regions

Afghanistan	Iraq	Palestinian Territories (West Bank and Gaza)
Albania	Jordan	Qatar
Algeria	Kosovo	Saudi Arabia
Azerbaijan	Kuwait	Senegal
Bahrain	Kyrgyzstan	Sierra Leone
Bangladesh	Lebanon	Somalia
Brunei	Libya	Sudan
Burkina Faso	Malaysia	Syria
Chad	Maldives	Tajikistan
Comoros	Mali	Tunisia
Djibouti	Mauritania	Turkey
Egypt	Morocco	Turkmenistan
Gambia	Niger	United Arab Emirates
Guinea	Nigeria	Uzbekistan
Indonesia	Oman	Yemen
Iran	Pakistan	

Table 1B: Countries with International NeXXt Scholars in 2012 and 2013

Afghanistan	Iraq	**Palestinian Territories (West Bank & Gaza) (2012)**
Albania	Jordan	Qatar
Algeria	Kosovo	Saudi Arabia
Azerbaijan	**Kuwait (2013)**	Senegal
Bahrain	Kyrgyzstan	Sierra Leone
Bangladesh (2013)	**Lebanon (2013)**	Somalia
Brunei	Libya	Sudan
Burkina Faso	**Malaysia (2013)**	Syria
Chad	Maldives	Tajikistan
Comoros	Mali	**Tunisia (2012) (2013)**
Djibouti	Mauritania	**Turkey (2012) (2013)**
Egypt (2013)	**Morocco (2012) (2013)**	**Turkmenistan (2013)**
Gambia	Niger	United Arab Emirates
Guinea	**Nigeria (2012) (2013)**	**Uzbekistan (2013)**
Indonesia (2013)	Oman	Yemen
Iran	**Pakistan (2012) (2013)**	

Table 2: Participating U.S. Women's Colleges and Universities

- Note that Scholars from all regions will have opportunities to interact with each other.
- Interactive map can be found at http://batchgeo.com/map/Nexxtscholarswomenscolleges.

Name of School (bolded if has NeXXt Scholars)	Website	Region	City, State	Admissions Contact	E-mail
Agnes Scott College	www.agnesscott.edu	Southeast	Decatur, GA	Alexa Gaeta	agaeta@agnesscott.edu
Barnard College (2012) (2013)	www.barnard.edu	Northeast	New York, NY	Vera Bagnyuk	vbagnyuk@barnard.edu
Bay Path College	www.baypath.edu	Northeast	Longmeadow, MA	Sarah Wisnouskas	international@baypath.edu
Bennett College for Women	www.bennett.edu	Southeast	Greensboro, NC	Taunya Monroe	admiss@bennett.edu
Bryn Mawr College (2012) (2013)	www.brynmawr.edu/	Northeast	Bryn Mawr, PA	Peaches Valdes	tvaldes@brynmawr.edu
Carlow University	www.carlow.edu	Northeast	Pittsburgh, PA	Garrett Margliotti	gdmargliotti@carlow.edu
Cedar Crest College	www.cedarcrest.edu	Northeast	Allentown, PA	Jenny Weather-ford	kjweathe@cedarcrest.edu
Chatham University (2013)	www.chatham.edu/	Northeast	Pittsburgh, PA	Vivian Yamoah	vyamoah@chatham.edu
College of Saint Benedict	www.csbsju.edu/	Central	St. Joseph, MN	Alex Schleper	aschleper@csbsju.edu
College of Saint Elizabeth (2013)	www.cse.edu	Northeast	Morristown, NJ	Lenee D. Woodson	lwoodson@cse.edu; apply@cse.edu
College of Saint Mary	www.csm.edu	Central	Omaha, NE	Greg Fritz	GFritz@CSM.edu
Colorado Women's College at the University of Denver	www.womenscollege.du.edu	Central	Denver, CO	Jenny Williamson	jenny.williamson@du.edu
Columbia College (2012)	www.columbiasc.edu	Southeast	Columbia, SC	Deanie Kane	dkane@columbiasc.edu
Converse College	www.converse.edu/	Southeast	Spartanburg, SC	April Lewis	april.lewis@converse.edu
Cottey College (2013)	www.cottey.edu/	Central	Nevada, MO	Judy Steege	jsteege@cotty.edu
Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University (2012) (2013)	www.douglass.rutgers.edu/	Northeast	New Brunswick, NJ	Elaine Zundl; Beth Bors; Ellen Lieberman	ezundl@echo.rutgers.edu; bbors@echo.rutgers.edu; ellenel@echo.rutgers.edu

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Hollins University	www.hollins.edu/	Southeast	Roanoke, VA	Stacey M. Hill	hillsm2@hollins.edu
Mary Baldwin College	www.mbc.edu	Southeast	Staunton, VA	Steve Grande	sgrande@mbc.edu
Meredith College	www.meredith.edu	Southeast	Raleigh, NC	Stephanie Ellis	elliss@meredith.edu
Mills College	www.mills.edu	West Coast	Oakland, CA	Fatima Padojino	fpadojino@mills.edu
Mount Holyoke College (2012) (2013)	www.mtholyoke.edu/	Northeast	South Hadley, MA	Elizabeth DuMont-McCaffrey	dumon20e@mtholyoke.edu
Notre Dame of Maryland University	www.ndm.edu	Northeast	Baltimore, MD	Heidi Fletcher	Hroller@ndm.edu
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College	www.smwc.edu	Central	St. Mary of the Woods, IN	Amanda Springstead	aspringstead@smwc.edu; pomeroy@smwc.edu
Saint Mary's College (2013)	www.saintmarys.edu/	Central	Notre Dame, IN	Rachel Piontek	rpiontek@saintmarys.edu
Salem College	www.salem.edu	Southeast	Winston-Salem, NC	Jessica Rogers	jessica.rogers@salem.edu
Scripps College	www.scrippscollege.edu/	West Coast	Claremont, CA	Victoria Romero	victoria.romero@scrippscollege.edu
Simmons College	www.simmons.edu	Northeast	Boston, MA	Catherine Capolupo	catherine.capolupo@simmons.edu
Smith College (2012) (2013)	www.smith.edu/	Northeast	Northampton, MA	Karen Kristof; Meredith McDill	kkristof@smith.edu; mmcdill@smith.edu
Spelman College	www.spelman.edu	Southeast	Atlanta, GA	Erica Johnson	esjohnson@spelman.edu
St. Catherine University (2013)	www.stkate.edu/	Central	St. Paul, MN	Aimee Thostenson	aethostenson@stkate.edu
Stephens College	www.stephens.edu	Central	Columbia, MO	Killian Kramer	kkramer@stephens.edu
Sweet Briar College	www.sbc.edu	Southeast	Sweet Briar, VA	Abigail Davis	adavis@sbc.edu; admissions@sbc.edu
Ursuline College	www.ursuline.edu	Central	Pepper Pike, OH	Stephanie Ratkovich	stephanie.ratkovich@ursuline.edu
University of Saint Joseph	www.usj.edu	Northeast	West Hartford, CT	Sarah McInnis	smcinnis@usj.edu
Wellesley College (2012) (2013)	www.wellesley.edu	Northeast	Wellesley, MA	Milena Mareva	mmareva@wellesley.edu

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Wesleyan College (2013)	www.wesleyancollege.edu	Southeast	Macon, GA	Anna Mishina Cooper	amishina@wesleyancollege.edu
Wilson College (2012)	www.wilson.edu ***(co-ed since 2013 so no new Scholars)***	Northeast	Chambersburg, PA	MaryAnn Naso	maryann.naso@wilson.edu ; admissions@wilson.edu
The Women's College at Brenau University	www.brenau.edu/focus/wc/	Southeast	Gainesville, GA	Luxi Zhang	lzhang1@brenau.edu

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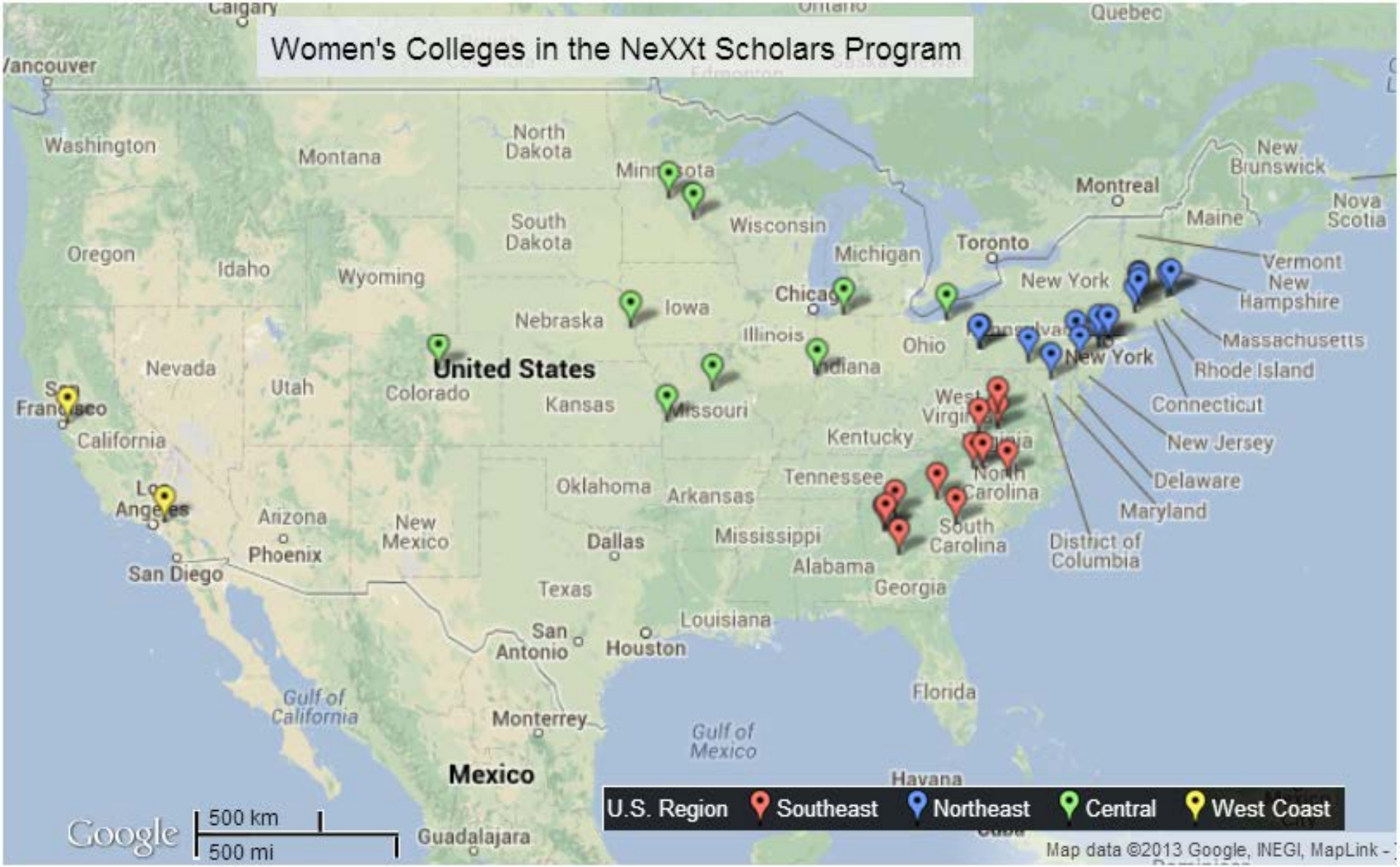

Table 3: Admission Requirements

Name of School	SAT or ACT Requirements	Minimum Score on TOEFL or IELTS	Early Decision	Early Action	Regular Decision
Agnes Scott College	SAT or ACT	IBT of 80, CBT of 213, PBT of 550, IELTS of 6	-	February 1	After February 1
Barnard College	ACT or SAT and 2 subject tests	PBT of 600, IBT of 100, IELTS of 7	November 1	-	January 1
Bay Path College	No if TOEFL is submitted	IBT of 71, IELTS of 5.5	-	-	May 1
Bennett College for Women	No	TOEFL recommended	-	-	Rolling but earlier recommende d
Bryn Mawr College	SAT or ACT	Required but no minimum TOEFL or IELTS	November 15	January 1	January 15
Carlow University	SAT of 100 or ACT	IBT of 90, IELTS of 6.5	-	-	Rolling
Cedar Crest College	No	IBT 79	-	-	March 25
Chatham University	SAT of 1000 (CR+M only)	IBT of 79, IELTS of 6	November 1	-	March 1
College of Saint Benedict	Not required but advised	Required but no minimum TOEFL or IELTS	-	-	January 15 through March 1; rolling thereafter
College of Saint Elizabeth	Required	Required but no minimum TOEFL or IELTS	-	-	Rolling
College of Saint Mary	ACT of 18, SAT of 860 (minimum for CR+M)	PBT of 550, CBT of 213, IBT of 80	-	-	Rolling
Colorado Women's College at the University of Denver	No	PBT of 550, IBT of 80, IELTS of 6.5	-	-	August 10
Columbia College	SAT and ACT required for scholarships	PBT of 550	-	-	June 1
Converse College	Yes	TOEFL 79, IELTS 6.5	-	November 15	March 1
Cottey College	Yes	PBT of 550, IELTS of 5.5	-	-	Rolling

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Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University	Yes	TOEFL of 79, higher for pharmacy and nursing schools (89 and 100); IELTS of 6.5; MELAB 76, or PTE of 53	-	November 1	December 1
Hollins University	Yes	TOEFL of 80, IELTS of 5.5	November 1	-	February 1
Mary Baldwin College	None	PBT of 500	-	-	Rolling
Meredith College	None	TOEFL of 79, IELTS of 6	October 30	-	February 15
Mills College	Yes	Required but no minimum TOEFL or IELTS	-	November 15	February 1
Mount Holyoke College	Optional	Required but no minimum; TOEFL of 100 or IELTS of 7 recommended	November 15	January 1	January 15
Notre Dame of Maryland University	None	PBT of 500, CBT of 173	-	December 1	February 15
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College	None	PBT 500	-	-	Rolling until June 15
Saint Mary's College	Yes if previous language of instruction was English	80 of IBT, 6.5 of IELTS	November 15	-	February 15
Salem College	SAT or ACT	PBT of 600, IBT of 100, IELTS of 7	-	-	March 1
Scripps College	Yes	PBT of 600, IBT of 100, IELTS of 7	November 15	-	January 1
Simmons College	Yes	IBT of 85, IELTS of 6.5	-	December 1	February 1
Smith College	SAT or ACT	TOEFL of 100, IELTS of 7	November 15	January 1	January 15
Spelman College	Yes but only for native English speakers	PBT of 500, CBT of 250	November 1	November 15	February 1
St. Catherine University	None	PBT of 500, IBT of 61, CBT of 173, IELTS of 6	-	-	March 15
Stephens College	Yes to be considered for scholarships	IBT of 79, PBT of 550, CBT of 213	November 15	January 1	Rolling
Sweet Briar College	None	IBT of 79, CBT of 213, PBT of 550, IELTS of 6.5	-	-	February 1

CONTINUED: Name of School	SAT or ACT Requirements	Minimum Score on TOEFL or IELTS	Early Decision	Early Action	Regular Decision
Ursuline College	None	IBT of 68, BT of 520	-	November 15	June 1
University of Saint Joseph	SAT or ACT	Required but no minimum TOEFL or IELTS	-	-	Priority by April 1
Wellesley College	SAT I plus 2 subject tests or ACT with writing	IBT of 100, IELTS of 7 preferred	November 1	January 1	January 15
Wesleyan College	SAT or ACT	Required but no minimum TOEFL or IELTS	November 15	-	January 15 for scholarship consideration then rolling
The Women's College at Brenau University	SAT of 900 (reading of 450), ACT of 18	PBT of 500, IBT of 61, CBT of 173, IELTS of 5	May 1	-	Rolling

Table 4: Financial Aid Information

Name of School	Deadline for Financial Aid	Tuition	Room and Board	Merit-Based Aid Per Year	Need-Based Aid Per Year
Agnes Scott College	February 1	$34,788	$10,535	Contact school	Average $15,000
Barnard College	February 1	$44,782	$13,810	Contact school	100% of determined need
Bay Path College	Contact school	$29,959	$12,000	$5,000-$15,000	Contact school
Bennett College for Women	Rolling	$14,906	$3,772	Contact school	Contact school
Bryn Mawr College	Contact school	$72,870	$13,860	Contact school	Contact school
Carlow University	May 1	$25,416	$10,014	$4,000-$18,000	Contact school
Cedar Crest College	Contact school	$32,600	$5,160	$1,000-$20,000	Contact school
Chatham University	March 15 for priority consideration	$31,000	$10,000	$10,000-$16,000	Contact school
College of Saint Benedict	March 15	$37,926	$9,644	$6,000-$20,500	Contact school
College of Saint Elizabeth	March 1	$29,148	$12,744	Up to full tuition	Contact school
College of Saint Mary	March 15	$24,350	$6,700	$2,500-$16,000	Contact school
Colorado Women's College at the University of Denver	August 10	$12,510	$10,746	Contact school	Contact school
Columbia College	August 1	$26,900	$6,978	$1,000 to full tuition	Up to $10,000
Converse College	Contact school	$27,320	$8,554	$1,000-$3,000	Contact school
Cottey College	March 1	$18,000	$6,600	$1,000-$9,000	Contact school
Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University	March 15	$12,371 ($5,359 for New Jersey residents)	$3,546	$1,000-$8,000; NeXXt Scholars award of up to $2,000	Contact school
Hollins University	February 15	$33,320	$11,660	Contact school	Up to half tuition
Mary Baldwin College	Rolling	$26,960	$7,790	Up to $16,500	Contact school
Meredith College	February 15	$30,642	$8,766	Up to full tuition	Contact school
Mills College	February 15	$44,847	$12,625	Up to $20,000	Contact school
Mount Holyoke College	November 15 for early decision, January 1 early action, January 15 for regular decision	$41,456	$12,140	$10,000-$25,000	100% of determined need
Notre Dame of Maryland University	February 15	$29,700	$9,900	Contact school	Contact school
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College	March 10 for Indiana Residents	$27,675	$10,050	Up to $11,000	Contact school

CONTINUED: Name of School	Deadline for Financial Aid	Tuition	Room and Board	Merit-Based Aid Per Year	Need-Based Aid
Saint Mary's College	March 1	$34,600	$10,560	$2,500-$16,000	Contact school
Salem College	March 1	$24,200	$11,764	Up to full tuition	Contact school
Scripps College	Contact school	$45,564	$14,006	Up to $20,000	Contact school
Simmons College	Contact school	$35,140	$13,400	$5,000 to full tuition	Contact school
Smith College	Contact school	$42,840	$14,410	Up to full tuition	100% of determined need
Spelman College	March 1	$24,634	$11,945	Up to full tuition	Limited
St. Catherine University	March 15	$34,877	$10,368	Up to full tuition	$4,000-$19,000
Stephens College	March 1	$27,945	$3,870-$8,030	$1,000 to full tuition	Contact school
Sweet Briar College	February 1	$32,325	$11,440	Up to $15,000	Only for engineering majors
Ursuline College	Contact school	$26,490	$8,900	Up to $13,000	Contact school
University of Saint Joseph	February 15	$31,928	$7,976	Contact school	Contact school
Wellesley College	November 1 for early decision; January 15 early evaluation and regular decision	$43,288	$13,488	Contact school	100% of determined need
Wesleyan College	February 15	$19,650	$8,600	$1,000-$19,500	Contact school
The Women's College at Brenau University	1 month before semester starts	$23,350	$11,428	Up to full tuition	Contact school

Additional information on the costs of attending these colleges can be found at http://www.collegeboard.org.

Agnes Scott College

Decatur, Georgia

STEM Majors Offered: Astrophysics, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental and Sustainability Studies, Mathematics, Mathematics/Economics, Neuroscience, Physics, Public Health, Psychology, dual degree in Computer Science with Emory University, and dual degree in Engineering with Georgia Institute of Technology

Distinguishing Features: Agnes Scott College's small size allows for great student-faculty interaction in the classroom, internship opportunities across Atlanta and the world, and mentored research even as an undergraduate. Our student-to-faculty ratio is 11:1 and our average class size is 18. Our Generating Excellence in Math and Science (GEMS) Program offers a stimulating and rigorous course of academic study and research to prepare women for graduate school and professional positions in STEM fields. Further, the college has a state-of-the-art science center with classrooms and laboratories.

School Size and Setting: A diverse residential women's college located on 100 acres in a historic neighborhood of metropolitan Atlanta, Agnes Scott College has about 900 students from 30 countries.

Cultural Support Services: Agnes Scott offers a wide range of support services for all students including academic support, student activities, and health and wellness. Academic courses and programs often discuss multicultural and multi-faith issues. Active student groups include Interfaith Council, Muslim Student Association, and the International Student Association. Our dining hall includes Halal foods plus other accommodations during Ramadan. Our Wellness Center uses female healthcare providers.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Agnes Scott students can cross-register at nearly 20 colleges and universities in the Atlanta area including Emory University and the Georgia Institute of Technology**.**

Cost of Attendance: For 2013-2014, tuition, fees, and room & board totaled $45,323.

Financial Aid: Aid is available for international students; the average award is $15,000.

Application Fee Waiver: Free online application is available via the Common Application or agnesscott.edu.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Students must submit either SAT or ACT scores and TOEFL or IELTS scores. There is no required minimum for the SAT/ACT. Students must receive an 80 or above on the TOEFL computer-based test, or a 6 or above total band score on IELTS.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 67%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: For financial aid consideration, the admissions application deadline is February 1.

Assistance with English: No ESL courses are provided but tutoring is available.

Point-of-Contact: Alexa Gaeta, Director, admission@agnesscott.edu

Website: www.agnesscott.edu

BARNARD
THE LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE
FOR WOMEN
IN NEW YORK CITY

Barnard College

New York City, New York

STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Astrophysics, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Biology, Environmental Science, Mathematics, Neuroscience & Behavior, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, and option for 3-2 Engineering program with Columbia University

Distinguishing Features: The college offers the Hughes Science Pipeline Project, a Distinguished Women-in-Science lecture series, and summer research opportunities to students. Barnard students have access to science research internships on-campus and at research centers/hospitals around New York City.

School Size and Setting: Barnard has 2,400 students in a 4-acre urban campus in New York City.

Cultural Support Services: Halal and Kosher meal options as well as extended dining hours are available during Ramadan. Barnard has prayer space, female doctors at the health services center, and female-only swim hours at the pool. Further, counseling services for women and an international student orientation are offered. The college also has many cultural and ethnic organizations such as the Multicultural and International Students Association (MISA) and the Barnard International Group (BIG).

Relationships with Nearby Colleges:

- *Barnard-Columbia University Partnership:* Barnard maintains a partnership with Columbia University that is unique in American higher education. Students at each institution can take courses at the other, live in the same residence halls, share access to 22 libraries, and compete together in the Columbia-Barnard Athletic Consortium. Barnard students receive a diploma of the University signed by the presidents of both institutions and the College is represented in the University Senate. At the same time, Barnard is legally separate and financially independent from the University.
- Barnard also offers 5 double and joint degrees in coordination with other schools in the Columbia University system: School of International and Public Affairs, School of Law, School of Dental and Oral Surgery, School of Engineering and Applied Science, and a MA in teaching from the Teacher's college.
- *Barnard-Juilliard Exchange and Barnard-Manhattan School of Music (MSM) Exchange:* Selected Barnard students who are extremely advanced in instrumental and vocal performance have the opportunity to pursue professional-level private music lessons at Juilliard or MSM while enrolled full-time at Barnard. Admission to the Julliard program is highly selective and requires a separate audition. Students can take MSM classes as long as space is available in the lessons.

Cost of Attendance: The approximate cost is $49,000.

Financial Aid: Limited grant funding is available to highest achieving international applicants based on need. Grants are provided up to full cost of attendance.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, a waiver can be issued upon receipt of letter from advisor.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL is required; ACT or SAT/SAT II is also required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 20%

Common Application Accepted: Yes the common application is accepted along with a supplement.

Application Deadline: Early Decision deadline (binding) is on November 1; Regular Decision is January 1.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 1

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Vera Bagnyuk, Senior International Admissions Officer, Coordinator of International Recruitment, vbagnyuk@barnard.edu

Website: http://www.barnard.edu

Bay Path College

Longmeadow, Massachusetts

STEM Majors Offered: Biology/Biological Sciences, Biotechnology, Forensic Science and Technology, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Bay Path College's professors offer students personalized attention. The college has new science labs with state-of-the-art equipment including an automated gene sequencer, equipment for hair and fiber analysis, and more. Internships are guaranteed for every major. Students may also choose to pursue faculty-guided research on a subject of their choice. By invitation only, an honors program is offered for high achieving students. Further, the academic development center provides peer and academic tutoring in select subjects as well as online tutoring for students seeking extra help.

School Size and Setting: Bay Path is a small 4-year college with an average class size of 14 students and total student body of 2,177 students. It is located in a safe and affluent suburban community in New England with easy access to the airport, buses, and train stations. The college is less than 2 hours from Boston and 3 hours from New York City.

Cultural Support Services: The Health Services Department is primarily staffed by female nurses and clinicians. A Reflection Room is available on campus for quiet meditation, prayer, and reflection; it also includes yoga mats, spiritual books, and a docking station for music.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Bay Path College is part of the Cooperating Colleges of Greater Springfield Consortium, which allows students to take up to 2 classes per semester at 7 other area colleges as long as the class is not currently being offered on the Bay Path campus.

Cost of Attendance: For the 2012-2013 year, tuition is $29,959, room & board is $12,000, and health insurance is $2,365.

Financial Aid: International students can receive merit scholarships based on academic achievement of $5,000-$15,000 per year for up to 4 years of undergraduate study.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, the waiver is available for all online applications.

SAT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, one test is required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes. Although Bay Path is not listed as a participating school, the Common Application is accepted by mail and the application fee will be waived.

Application Deadline: May 1st is the deadline for Regular Decision.

Assistance with English: We have a partnership with the International Language Institute (ILI) of Northampton, MA, for students who wish to strengthen their English language skills prior to attending Bay Path College. Information on ILI is available at www.ili.edu.

Point-of-Contact: Sarah Wisnouskas, Coordinator of International Initiatives, Bay Path College Admissions Office, International@baypath.edu

Website: www.baypath.edu

Bennett College

Greensboro, North Carolina

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: BS in Biology (teaching and non-teaching track); BS in Chemistry; BS in Mathematics (teaching and non-teaching track); BS in Computer Science; and BA in Computer Science with concentration in Information Technology. Bennett College also offers training via partnerships including dual degree program in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering with North Carolina A&T State University (A&T), dual degree program in Mathematics and Engineering with A&T, and Pre-Chiropractic Program with Life University.

Distinguishing Features: Bennett College enjoys a rich and successful heritage of encouraging its faculty to develop research programs and to provide training in STEM fields for underrepresented women. The Division has also forged new collaborations and maintained existing partnerships with other institutions to provide scholarships and research opportunities for students in the sciences. The faculty has been successful in bringing state- and federally-funded programs to the campus that provide biomedical research opportunities for students in the STEM areas. Current federally-funded grants that offer resources for STEM programs are the National Science Foundation's (NSF) HBCU-UP Grant for a Computational Science Program, the NSF Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Program, and the Northeast Alliance Grant.

School Size and Setting: Bennett is a small liberal arts college located in downtown Greensboro.

Cultural Support Services: The Center for Global Studies provides individualized cultural support for international students and NeXXt Scholars.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Bennett College is a member of the Greater Greensboro Consortium. Students are able to take courses at all of the Greensboro colleges and universities.

Cost of Attendance: $24,447 for academic year 2011-12

Financial Aid: Financial assistance is limited.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT/ACT is optional but TOEFL is recommended.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 56%

Common Application Accepted: Yes, the Common Application is accepted but additional materials are required.

Application Deadline: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis so early submission is encouraged.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis so apply early.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Taunya Monroe, Director of Admissions, admiss@bennett.edu

Website: www.bennett.edu

BRYN MAWR
COLLEGE

Bryn Mawr College

Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania

STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Ecology, Environmental Studies, Geology, Mathematics, Neuroscience, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Bryn Mawr College is in the top 10 among all U.S. colleges and universities for the percentage of female graduates that continue to pursue doctorates in the STEM fields. Compared to other female college students in the United States, Bryn Mawr students are 7 times more likely to graduate with a degree in chemistry and 12 times more likely to do so in math. Bryn Mawr ranks third in the nation in the percentage of female students receiving degrees in math and has 16 times the national average of female students graduating in physics.

School Size and Setting: Most of Bryn Mawr's 1,300 students live on the 135-acre suburban campus, one of the most beautiful college settings in the country. It is located 11 miles west of Philadelphia, which is the sixth-largest city in the United States.

Cultural Support Services: Students have access to a 24-hour interfaith prayer room as well as Halal and Kosher kitchens. Additionally, there are many student cultural and religious groups. The health center staff includes female doctors and the swimming pool offers women-only hours.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Bryn Mawr's relationships with Haverford College, Swarthmore College, and the University of Pennsylvania provide students access to more than 5,000 courses in 4 unique learning environments.

Cost of Attendance: In 2013-2014, the tuition, fees, and room & board totaled $57,760 for the year.

Financial Aid: Bryn Mawr awards need-based financial aid on a competitive basis to outstanding international applicants who do not hold a U.S. passport or are not permanent residents of the United States. Financial aid at Bryn Mawr includes grants, loans, and employment.

Application Fee Waiver: There is no application fee for students applying online.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Bryn Mawr has a flexible testing policy that allows students to submit scores from one of three combinations of standardized tests (details at www.brynmawr.edu/admissions). In addition, TOEFL or IELTS results must be submitted for students whose first language is not English. The TOEFL/IELTS requirement can be waived for students whose principal language of instruction for the past 4 years has been English.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 41%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision deadlines are November 15 and January 1. The Regular Decision deadline is January 15.

Assistance with English: Resources, tutors, and courses are available to English language learners.

Point-of-Contact: Peaches Valdes, Director of Admissions, tvaldes@brynmawr.edu

Website: www.brynmawr.edu

Carlow University
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Carlow University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Carlow University science programs are housed in the A.J. Palumbo Hall of Science and Technology, which offers state-of-the-art laboratories and equipment. The Biology Program has concentrations in the following specialty areas: molecular/cell biology, human biology, organismal/ecological biology, environmental science, environmental engineering, perfusion technology, and an autopsy specialist program. A rooftop greenhouse is a unique feature in the building as is an autopsy laboratory where undergraduates can view and participate in actual autopsies. The Chemistry Program includes coursework in organic, inorganic, analytical and physical chemistry and includes a senior independent research project. Both applied and theoretical mathematics are stressed in the Mathematics Program at Carlow, and there is a unique partnership with Carnegie Mellon University for students wishing to complete a degree in Engineering, Environmental Engineering, or Chemical Engineering.

School Size and Setting: Carlow has about 2,300 total and 866 traditional undergraduates. The University is situated on 14 acres in a secluded Oakland neighborhood that is 10 minutes from downtown and walking distance to other colleges.

Cultural Support Services: All female floors in residence halls, female nurses in Health Services, and prayer space are available on campus. There is a mosque within 10 minutes of campus.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Carlow has strong relationships with other universities and colleges so cross-registration is available at 10 local institutions through the Pittsburgh Council of Higher Education Consortium.

Cost of Attendance: $35,430 per year

Financial Aid: Merit-based international student scholarships are available in $2,000-$8,000 per year range.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, the application fee is waived if applicant completes the online application.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, applicants only need to take 1 out of those 4 tests.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: At the traditional undergraduate level, approximately 70% of the applicants are admitted to the University each year.

Common Application Accepted: No

Application Deadline: While Carlow University operates under a rolling admissions policy, students are encouraged to apply early in their senior year of high school or by May 1st of desired matriculation year for optimal consideration.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Students are encouraged to apply by May 1st of each year.

Assistance with English: Courses are available locally but not on campus.

Point-of-Contact: Garrett Margliotti, Director, cgl@carlow.edu

Website: www.carlow.edu

Cedar Crest College

Allentown, Pennsylvania

STEM Majors Offered: Biological Sciences—Biology, Genetic Engineering, Neuroscience, Biodiversity and Conservation Biology, Global Diseases (Minor); Chemistry—Chemistry, Biochemistry; Forensic Science; Nutrition; Mathematics; Pre-Professional Programs (Pre-Med, Pre-Dent, and Pre-Vet); and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Biological and Forensic Sciences are especially strong at Cedar Crest College.

School Size and Setting: Cedar Crest College has 2,268 students. The college is located in the prestigious West End of Allentown in a park-like setting; the campus offers a beautiful and safe environment for study. Philadelphia is 45 miles away and New York City is 90 miles.

Cultural Support Services: International Programs, a Multicultural Center, individualized advising, tutoring, language assistance, female doctors at Health Services as well as flexible and accommodating food services are available to students.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Cedar Crest is part of the Lehigh Valley Association of Independent Colleges (LVAIC) network. Students can take courses at the other LVAIC schools, which are Lehigh University, Moravian College, Muhlenberg College, DeSales University, and Lafayette College.

Cost of Attendance: The cost is approximately $42,000 per year, which includes room and board but not books and personal expenses.

Financial Aid: International students are considered for merit-based aid of up to $18,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL score of 79; IELTS is also accepted.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling admissions

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The financial aid deadline is rolling; international students are considered for merit aid during the admissions process.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Jenny Weatherford, Director, jenny.weatherford@cedarcrest.edu

Website: www.cedarcrest.edu

chatham UNIVERSITY

Chatham University

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Engineering, Environmental Science, Environmental Studies, Environmental Writing, Exercise Science, Integrated Health Studies, Mathematics, Media Arts, Nursing, Physics, Public Health, Psychology, and a self-designed program

Distinguishing Features: Chatham features practical learning opportunities combined with career exploration. There is the 3-2 engineering program, which enables students to enroll for 3 years at Chatham and then 2 years at an accredited engineering school. Accelerated Graduate Programs enable undergraduates to earn a bachelor's and master's degrees in as few as 5 years. Chatham Abroad provides all Chatham undergraduates with the opportunity to study around the world. Technological updates like wireless access around campus and 13-inch MacBook Pro computers are provided to all first-year and transfer students. Chatham also has a $10 million science complex, which keeps students connected in and out of the classroom.

School Size and Setting: Chatham University has 2,300 undergraduate and graduate students, and is located on a 39-acre arboretum campus in Pittsburgh, PA. The campus is safe and beautiful with easy access to city amenities.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Chatham has collaborative relationships with Carnegie Mellon University, University of Pittsburgh, and Penn State University.

Cost of Attendance: For 2011-2012, the costs were as follows: $29,212 for tuition, $4,876 for room, $4,600 for board, and $1,100 for college & technology fees.

Financial Aid: Chatham offers merit scholarships for international students ranging from $6,000 to $14,000 per year. Decisions are based on a combination of TOEFL or SAT scores and GPA. Chatham also offers World Ready Women Scholarships based on résumé and short essay questions. These scholarships range from $1,000 to $3,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: A score of 1,000 on the SAT (reading and math only) or ACT equivalent is required. Additionally, international students should have a TOEFL score of 79 or an IELTS score of 6.0.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 68%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Chatham has rolling admission but the Early Action deadline is November 1. For regular admission, students are strongly encouraged to apply by March 1.

Assistance with English: Chatham offers a Bridge Program to students who do not meet the English language requirement. In order to participate, applicants must have a 61 on the TOEFL or a 5.0 on the IELTS. Additionally, students are required to enroll in 3 ESL classes for 2 terms as well as take one approved elective.

Point-of-Contact: Vivian Yamoah, International Student Services Coordinator, vyamoah@chatham.edu

Website: www.chatham.edu

College of Saint Benedict

St. Joseph, Minnesota

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering (3/2 program), Mathematics, Pre-Engineering, Pre-Medicine and other health professions, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: The following are available at the College of Saint Benedict: National Science Foundation-supported programs for women in science, a very strong international focus, and co-educational academic experience along with a women's college residential program.

School Size and Setting: The College has 2,000 students and is located in a small town bordering the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul; it is also near the Mall of America.

Cultural Support Services: The school has a large international student population. The International Student Program Office has 2 full-time staff and 8 part-time student assistants. College of Saint Benedict respects and supports religious, cultural, and dietary (Halal) choices.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: With separate residential campuses for women and men, CSB partners with Saint John's University (SJU), a men's college that enrolls 1,900 men.

Cost of Attendance: $47,570

Financial Aid: Up to $20,500 in scholarships and $2,800 work-study award can be granted. NeXXt Scholars may be able to obtain additional merit scholars awards on a case-by-case basis.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL or IELTS is required; SAT is recommended (but not required).

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 80%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Action deadline is November 15th. The preferred Regular Decision date is January 15th but students can apply until March 1st or until filled.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Alex Schleper, Director of International Admission, aschleper@csbsju.edu

Website: www.csbsju.edu

College of Saint Elizabeth

Morristown, New Jersey

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Allied Health Studies, Foods & Nutrition, Mathematics, and Psychology; Pre-Professional Certifications: Pre-Med, Pre-Dental, and Pre-Vet; Joint Physician's Assistant Program with Seton Hall; and Joint Programs with University of Medicine & Dentistry in Cytotechnology and in Medical Technology

Distinguishing Features: The College of Saint Elizabeth (CSE) is located in Morristown, NJ, just one hour from New York City by car, bus, or train (the stop is located at the gates of the college). CSE is conveniently near Morristown Memorial Hospital and numerous pharmaceutical companies. The average class size, even in science and for first year students, is 15. Students are guaranteed direct access to their professors and—as part of the teaching model—the school does not have Teaching Assistants. Having opened in 2007, the Annunciation Center is a $17 million dollar, 44,000 square foot building with a 560-person performing arts hall, a permanent art gallery, Holocaust Resource Center, art & music studios, a Mac Computer lab, and flexible classroom space.

School Size and Setting: CSE is located in a historic suburban college town. The school has 200 acres and shares a property line with Fairleigh-Dickinson University; it is also one mile from Drew University.

Cultural Support Services: CSE has an Office of International & Multicultural Affairs with programming throughout the year such as an annual culture night. Campus Ministry is interfaith and ecumenical.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: CSE students can take advantage of free cross-registration with Fairleigh-Dickinson and Drew Universities.

Cost of Attendance: For 2012-2013, tuition was $29,148; room & board was $12,744; fees were $1,700. Thus, the total cost of attendance was $43,592 for a year.

Financial Aid: Scholarships for international students can be $4,000-$16,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, SAT and TOEFL are required for financial aid.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: Each student is evaluated on an individual basis.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling admission

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Rolling deadline but priority funding deadline is March 1.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Lenee D. Woodson, Director, lwoodson@cse.edu or apply@cse.edu

Website: www.cse.edu

College of Saint Mary

Omaha, Nebraska

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Psychology, and the joint Engineering program with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Distinguishing Features: College of Saint Mary (CSM) science programs are thriving: the college funds 3 full-ride, 4-year scholarships each year to incoming STEM students. The campus features a newly remodeled science and math building. Student and faculty research and science outreach is funded annually by partnerships with NASA's space grant consortium and the Idea Network for Biomedical Research in Education (INBRE). The newly remodeled science building has a state-of-the-art cadaver lab that allows for courses in human dissection. Students are compensated for research on the CSM campus or at larger research institutions during the summer. CSM prides itself on the close relationships between faculty and students, academic excellence, cultural diversity (over 20% are minority students), and the ability to develop leadership in young women.

School Size and Setting: College of Saint Mary is a private, Catholic women's college located on 25 acres in the heart of Omaha, Nebraska, and has about 1,100 students.

Cultural Support Services: The Center for Transcultural Learning supports students through English as a second language (ESL), interpreter instruction, and cultural diversity education. College of Saint Mary respects all faith traditions and has over 40% non-Catholic students in attendance. Our Lady of Mercy Chapel is open to all students for prayer.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Joint engineering program and Information Science program with the University of Nebraska-Omaha (UNO) and University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) are available. Science partnerships with UNO through INBRE and NASA are also available as discussed above.

Cost of Attendance: $30,570 (includes tuition, room, and board)

Financial Aid: $14,595

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes. Minimum acceptable scores are as follows: TOEFL – 550 on paper, 213 on computer, or 80 via the internet; ACT – 18; and SAT – 860 (critical reading and math).

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 45%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling admission

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The preferred deadline for financial aid is March 15th.

Assistance with English: Yes, language services are available through the Center for Transcultural Learning and the Achievement Center.

Point-of-Contact: Greg Fritz, Vice President of Enrollment, GFritz@CSM.edu

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Colorado Women's College at the University of Denver

Denver, Colorado

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Information Technology Studies

Distinguishing Features: Students at Colorado Women's College (CWC) benefit from University of Denver's top tier national rankings, world-class facilities, and research-one classification. Our international students represent more than 15 countries. We have a largely "nontraditional" student body with ages of students ranging from 18 to 60 years old. Our faculty members are also diverse, many of whom are multilingual and multicultural. The faculty of the Information Technology Studies program provides students with opportunities to work with local non-profit leaders to expand the effective use of technology. Colorado Women's College has an entrepreneurship center aimed at providing the resources, networks and training for women to start and grow their own businesses. Furthermore, the college has a strong, collaborative relationship with the School of Engineering and the Department of Geography providing students with greater professional and academic opportunities.

School Size and Setting: DU is a medium-sized campus located within the City of Denver with approximately 11,000 students evenly split between its undergraduate and graduate institutions. Colorado Women's College has approximately 225 students and is located in the Chambers Center for the Advancement of Women, a state-of-the-art building designed specifically for CWC.

Cultural Support Services: Colorado Women's College works with all international students to ensure that the DU experience meets their cultural and religious needs. Special requests and accommodations for meals can be readily arranged. For example, DU will accommodate Halal or Kosher foods and can ensure access to the dining facility outside typical facility hours. We also acknowledge and help celebrate our Muslim population during Ramadan. A special prayer space is provided on campus. Female physicians and psychologists are available at our Health and Counseling facilities. The office also assists students with reentry to their home country. Currently, DU has over 1,100 international students and approximately 25% are from Muslim countries.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Colorado Women's College is part of the larger University of Denver, which is co-educational. Our students are able to take advantage of all resources provided by Colorado Women's College as well as resources and the world-class facilities at the University of Denver.

Cost of Attendance: Cost for tuition, room, and board is $29,705 for a full-time student (12 credits) per academic year, based on 3 quarters each year.

Financial Aid: Colorado Women's College offers approximately 180 scholarships each year ranging from $500 to $10,000. Our average aid for current international students is $2,500.

Application Fee Waiver: We do not require an application fee.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT or ACT not required. TOEFL: minimum of 550 PBT or 80 IBT. IELTS: minimum of 6.5 with no less than 6.0 on any individual band scores. Exemptions can be found at http://www.du.edu/apply/admission/apply/international/proficiency.html.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 61.54% of applicants admitted in the Fall of 2011

Common Application Accepted: No; use womenscollege.du.edu/admission/admission_information.html.

Application Deadline: We accept applications each quarter. The deadline is about a month prior to the start of the quarter.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Same as above

Assistance with English: DU has an accredited intensive English language program on site. Further, DU offers conditional admission based on English proficiency and "bridge" English language courses for non-native speakers.

Point-of-Contact: Jenny Williamson, Admissions Counselor, jenny.williamson@du.edu

Website: www.womenscollege.du.edu

Columbia College

Columbia, South Carolina

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Mathematics, Computer & Information Science, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: The National Science Foundation recognizes Columbia College for its innovative curriculum; additionally, the school promotes scientific inquiry and creative problem-solving in students. With the advantage of small classes and individual attention from expert faculty, science majors gain a solid foundation in the biological and physical sciences. Further, students have ample opportunities for field study in such venues as the Savannah River Site and Research Triangle in North Carolina. The Barbara Bush Center for Science and Technology contains state-of-the-art chemistry, physics, biology, geology, computer, and tissue culture laboratories; 6 student/faculty research facilities; and a greenhouse.

School Size and Setting: In Fall of 2012, Columbia College had 1,263 students at its metropolitan campus.

Cultural Support Services: Various services are provided through the Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs and Community Resources.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Columbia College partners with the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC.

Cost of Attendance: Annual tuition, fees, and room & board were $33,878 for 2012-13.

Financial Aid: Average aid for international students is $15,000. Other opportunities for financial aid are such: Founders Scholarship – full tuition equivalency (1300 on the SAT in critical reading and math, or 29 on the ACT); Presidential Scholarship – $14,000 per year for resident students (1150-1299 on the SAT in critical reading and math, or 25-28 on the ACT); and Trustee Scholarship – $12,000 per year for resident students (1000-1149 on the SAT in critical reading and math, or 21-24 on the ACT). Momentum Scholarship is $14,000 up to full tuition. The latter scholarship is uniquely designed for students whose personal determination and academic accomplishments may outshine their standardized test scores. Interested students must demonstrate current ambition and an honest commitment to making a difference in the world. Students must also be nominated for this scholarship and complete the Momentum Scholarship application.

Application Fee Waiver: No fee for online applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Scores of 550 or greater on TOEFL are necessary for admission; SAT or ACT tests are required for scholarship consideration.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 73%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: June 1

Financial Aid Application Deadline: August 1

Assistance with English: No

Point-of-Contact: Deanie Kane, Associate Director of Admissions and Coordinator for International Admissions, dkane@columbiasc.edu

Website: www.columbiasc.edu

Converse College

Spartanburg, South Carolina

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Engineering (dual degree program offered in partnership with Clemson University), Mathematics, Medical Technology, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Converse leads the state in the number of student/faculty research proposals funded by the 20-member South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities (SCICU) Consortium. Students either conduct research on the Converse campus with faculty mentors or participate in the National Science Foundation-sponsored undergraduate Research Experience (REU) at other colleges and universities. Working independently or side-by-side with faculty mentors, Converse students have researched and presented on topics including genotoxicity of the pesticide carbaryl, effects of caffeine on time perception, evaluation of DNA isolated from soft tissue at different stages of degradation for forensic investigation, and the roles of progesterone and its antagonists in breast cancer and treatment.

School Size and Setting: Founded in Spartanburg, SC, in 1889, Converse is a private residential women's undergraduate college with co-ed graduate programs. The total enrollment is 1,938 students, of whom 773 are undergraduates and 1,165 are graduates; 15 states and 14 countries represented. The student/faculty ratio is 10:1, which is among the best in the nation. In 2011, Converse College is ranked #1 for Best Value in the South by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Cultural Support Services: Converse College offers a wide range of resources to accommodate special dietary needs, including healthy choices for vegans and vegetarians. Students who live on campus are required to have a meal plan. Basic health care is provided by the on-campus Converse Wellness Center, which is staffed entirely by women; for additional treatments, Converse partners with local doctors. Converse offers more than 60 clubs and organizations including award-winning Model Arab League, NATO, UN Programs, an International Students Association, Science Forum Club, and many more.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Spartanburg is a growing college town and home to 13,000 college students. The Spartanburg College Town Consortium includes Wofford College, Spartanburg Methodist College, USC Upstate, Spartanburg Community College, Sherman College of Straight Chiropractic, and Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine. All of these facilities are just miles from the Converse campus.

Cost of Attendance: For 2011, tuition and fees were $27,320 per year; room & board was $8,554.

Financial Aid: More than 90% of Converse students receive scholarships and/or financial aid with an average award package of $18,000. Converse also awards talent-based scholarships in Art & Design, Music & Theatre, and funding for 8 Division II sports.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Action deadline is November 15; the Regular Decision deadline is March 1st.

Point-of-Contact: April Lewis, Director of Admission, april.lewis@converse.edu

Website: www.converse.edu

COTTEY

Cottey College

Nevada, Missouri

STEM Majors Offered: Cottey College offers Associates' Degrees in Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology, and a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Studies.

Distinguishing Features: Cottey's 2-year curriculum is packed with campus life experiences worth 4 years' of college. Further, Cottey's rigorous academic credentials get students admitted into their preferred university to finish the bachelor's degree requirements. The newly accredited 4-year bachelor's degree programs with interdisciplinary courses in women's leadership, social responsibility, and global awareness offer a unique educational opportunity at Cottey. Courses in the biology curriculum prepare students for further work in a variety of disciplines such as medicine, biomedical research, physical therapy, biochemistry, genetic engineering, environmental studies, genetics, and animal science. Leadership development is an essential part of Cottey's academic program. Since having a global perspective is important, every year the entire second-year class travels to an international destination for an adventure—and Cottey College pays for the trip!

School Size and Setting: Cottey College is located in Nevada, Missouri, which is a small, midwestern town of approximately 9,000 people. It is located 100 miles south of Kansas City, Missouri. The student population of 350 students allows for a lot of individual attention, and represents 40 states as well as 23 countries.

Cultural Support Services: International Friendship Circle (IFC) helps form bonds of understanding among Cottey's international students and interested U.S. students. At bimonthly meetings, students share ideas and cultural experiences. IFC works with the college's food service to share international students' favorite foods and cultural activities during special events throughout the academic year. IFC also sponsors opportunities to discuss customs of the countries represented on campus.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Students who pursued the 2-year programs at Cottey have successfully transferred to numerous 4-year colleges and universities.

Cost of Attendance: The annual cost for 2012-2013 is $23,800, which includes tuition, room & board, and fees.

Financial Aid: Yes and the average aid package is $7,500.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL scores of 500 or IELTS 5.5 are required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 61%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Judy Steege, Director of Admission, JSteege@cottey.edu

Website: http://www.cottey.edu/

RUTGERS
Douglass Residential College

Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University

New Brunswick, New Jersey

STEM Majors Offered: Agricultural Economics, Agriculture (general), Animal Sciences, Food Science, Plant Sciences, Architectural Environmental Design, Biochemistry, Biology, Biometry/Biometrics, Biotechnology, Botany, Cell Biology, Ecology, Marine Biology and Biological Oceanography, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Molecular Genetics, Neurobiology and Anatomy, Pharmacology, Toxicology, Computer and Information Sciences, Information Sciences and Systems, Agricultural Engineering, Bioengineering and Biomedical Engineering, Ceramic Sciences and Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Engineering Science, Industrial Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Operations Research, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Pharmacy, Mathematical Statistics, Mathematics, Biological and Physical Sciences, Nutrition Sciences, Environmental Science, Astrophysics, Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology, Chemistry, Geology, Meteorology, Oceanography, Chemical and Physical Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Douglass Residential is a women's college set among Rutgers University, a major research institution, and the recently acquired University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ). A 25-year-old program at Douglass Residential College supports women in the STEM fields.

School Size and Setting: The population of Douglass Residential College is ~2,000 students; Rutgers in New Brunswick has ~31,000 students. Douglass Residential College is located in central New Jersey about 1 hour from New York City and 1.5 hours from Philadelphia.

Cultural Support Services: Douglass Residential College serves a large and diverse group of students; as such, the school takes the cultural and religious needs of each student very seriously.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Douglass Residential College is closely affiliated with Rutgers University and UMDNJ.

Cost of Attendance: The total for tuition, fees, and room & board is $36,679.

Financial Aid: No financial aid is available for international students; however, merit-based scholarships range from $2,000 to $10,000. Special scholarships for NeXXt Scholars are up to $2,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: No

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: The following link indicates minimum TOEFL and IELTS score requirements: http://admissions.rutgers.edu/International/ApplyNow/requiredcredentials.aspx. Information on SAT and ACT scores is at http://admissions.rutgers.edu/Academics/AdmissionsProfile.aspx.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: Admission rates vary by the program.

Common Application Accepted: No

Application Deadline: The Early Action deadline is November 1st and the Regular Action is December 1st. The deadline for transfer students is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The deadline for financial aid is January 1st.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Elaine Zundl, Assistant Dean, ezundl@echo.rutgers.edu

Website: douglass.rutgers.edu

Hollins University
Roanoke, Virginia

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Studies, Mathematics and Statistics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Hollins University offers guaranteed internships to all students: during the summer and in January, short-term research opportunities are available with faculty members. In addition to a student's chosen major, she can earn a Certificate in Leadership Studies through the Batten Leadership Institute on campus.

School Size and Setting: The 475-acre campus of Hollins University is located in Roanoke, VA, a metropolitan area of over 250,000 people. Hollins is just minutes away from Roanoke's regional airport. There are 613 undergraduate and 181 graduate students from 47 states and 13 countries on campus.

Cultural Support Services: Special dining hall hours are available during some religious holidays. Leadership development programs are offered for international students including during orientation, through the cultural diversity workshop series, and as part of cultural adjustment and cultural identity counseling.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Hollins University and Roanoke College have a long-standing reciprocal agreement. Students can take courses at Roanoke College provided that the course is not offered at Hollins University.

Cost of Attendance: $44,980

Financial Aid: The average award for international students is half of the tuition.

Application Fee Waiver: Free application

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, scores on TOEFL of 80 and on IELTS of 5.5 are required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 85%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 1st; Regular Decision is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Inquire with college directly.

Assistance with English: No

Point-of-Contact: Stacey Hill, Assistant Director of Admission, hillsm2@hollins.edu

Website: http://www.hollins.edu

Mary Baldwin College

Staunton, Virginia

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Clinical Laboratory Science, Computer Science/Mathematics, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Mary Baldwin offers STEM students undergraduate research opportunities; a description of this cornerstone program is at http://www.mbc.edu/research/index.php. Students often conduct original research in partnership with faculty members, co-publishing and co-presenting findings in academic journals and at conferences. Because of Mary Baldwin's 1:10 faculty-student ratio and the average class size of 16, students receive direct personal attention and instruction from faculty members. The newly renovated Peace Science Center is a state-of-the-art facility for laboratory-based learning and research. Mary Baldwin offers dual degree programs with other universities such as in Engineering and Computer Science through the University of Virginia, and Physics through Washington & Lee University.

School Size and Setting: Mary Baldwin College is a residential women-centered campus of ~800 students located in the beautiful historic downtown of Staunton, Virginia. Located among the rolling hills of Shenandoah Valley, the college is approximately 3 hours from Washington, DC, and 90 minutes from Richmond, VA.

Cultural Support Services: Mary Baldwin's diverse and inclusive community welcomes international students and provides many sources of support for their academic and personal success. New international students live in the International Hall Living-Learning Community with U.S. roommates. Local Hosts are members of the community who help international students experience American culture. Courses in Orientation to College, Introduction to American Culture, and English as a Second Language are offered. Tutoring in all subjects is available at no additional cost as are English conversation partners. Students observing Ramadan may take meals out of the dining hall; vegetarian and vegan options are available.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Mary Baldwin College students often attend lectures, conferences, or social events at nearby universities such as the University of Virginia, James Madison University, Washington & Lee University, and Virginia Military Institute.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition: $26,610; fees: $350; and room & board: $7,790. Total: $34,750.

Financial Aid: Yes, financial aid of $5,000-$13,000 based on TOEFL, IELTS, or SAT scores can be available. The average financial aid award for international students is $5,000.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: No

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling deadline

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Rolling deadline

Assistance with English: Yes. English as a Second Language course is offered in the fall semester; English tutoring and English conversation partners are also available.

Point-of-Contact: Steve Grande, Executive Director, sgrande@mbc.edu

Website: www.mbc.edu

Meredith College
Raleigh, North Carolina

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Sustainability, Mathematics, Psychology, and dual-degree program in Engineering with North Carolina (NC) State University

Distinguishing Features: Meredith College's STEM programs are housed in the state-of-the-art Science and Mathematics building. Student-faculty research laboratories and an electron microscope are available. Pupils may participate in the undergraduate research program as early as the freshman year. The college has great partnerships with several pharmaceutical, technological, medical, and many research agencies in the capital city of Raleigh as well as in the Research Triangle Park. Internships and other experiential learning opportunities are available in every major at Meredith. An honors program is offered for high achieving students. Meredith also has Master's programs in Nutrition, Business, and Education.

School Size and Setting: Meredith College has 2,000 undergraduate and graduate students. The campus is located in a beautiful and safe environment of 225 acres in Raleigh, NC.

Cultural Support Services: Meredith College is known for its welcoming campus and the services available to all students including international community members. The school's international programs staff serves as liaisons to students visiting from other countries. Meredith also participates in internationally-known programs that specialize in assisting women reach success such as the Initiative to Educate Afghan Women and the Zawadi Africa Education Fund. Also available are partnerships and a safe network of supportive community members that help to host international students and assist in meeting special needs of students.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: There are 11 colleges and universities in the local area and much collaboration exists with schools like North Carolina State, University of NC-Chapel Hill, and Duke University. Meredith participates in the Cooperative Raleigh Colleges collaborative that allows students to take approved classes at other local Raleigh colleges.

Cost of Attendance: The 2013-14 cost is $43,529 ($30,642 for tuition, $8,766 for room & board, and $4,121 for other expenses).

Financial Aid: A range of academic and need-based awards from $7,000 to $18,000 per year are available. If selected as a Legacy Scholar, the award is for the full cost of attendance. The Presidential Scholar receives an award of full tuition. A special NeXXt Scholar academic merit award of $10,000 is also available.

Application Fee Waiver: No

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL of 79, IELTS of 6, or SAT / ACT (one is required).

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 60%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is October 30th; Regular Decision is February 15th. Space permitting, additional applications are accepted after February on an individual basis.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th is the preferred deadline for financial aid.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Stephanie Ellis, Associate Director for Operations, elliss@meredith.edu

Website: www.meredith.edu

MILLS

Mills College

Oakland, CA

(Last updated by college 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Biopsychology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Mathematics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Mills College has a long-standing commitment to advance women interested in science and technology. Academic resources include a 26,000-square-foot natural sciences facility with state-of-the-art laboratories that model environmentally-friendly construction. The on-campus Botanic Garden serves as a living laboratory for Biology students. Mills also has a range of research and internship opportunities. The student-faculty ratio is 10:1 with an average class size of 16, which ensures personal attention and collaborative, interactive classes. Diversity is recognized as a vital component of the educational experience. Over 65% of the Mills faculty is female and 52% of Mills undergraduates are women of color.

School Size and Setting: The College is located on 135 lush acres in the foothills of Oakland, California, between San Francisco and Silicon Valley. The Mills student body for 2012–13 includes 949 undergraduate women and 597 graduate women and men.

Cultural Support Services: Support services include the Muslim Student Association (an on-campus student club); female physicians and medical staff at Mills Student Health Center; meal accommodations at Ramadan; and non-denominational prayer spaces on campus as well as at the Oakland Islamic Center, Islamic Cultural Center of Northern California, and Masjid Al-Islam mosque located near campus.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Cross-registration is available with San Francisco Bay area colleges and universities including the University of California-Berkeley. The special 3+2 Engineering Program in conjunction with the School of Engineering at the University of Southern California (USC) enables students to earn 2 bachelor's degrees in just 5 years.

Cost of Attendance: The cost is ~$60,000 per year including tuition with single room & board.

Financial Aid: About 95% of undergraduates receive some form of financial aid. The average financial aid award for 2012–13 was $36,437.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT (reasoning) or ACT plus TOEFL are required for international students.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 63% of first-year applicants

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: November 15th is the deadline for Early Action; February 1st is for Regular Decision. Spring enrollment is also available (see website for details).

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Fatima Padojino, Director of Admission Operations and Processing, FPadojino@mills.edu

Website: www.mills.edu

Mount Holyoke College

South Hadley, Massachusetts

STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Geology, Mathematics, Neuroscience and Behavior, Psychology, and Statistics

Distinguishing Features: As the first of the Seven Sisters—the female equivalent of the once predominantly male Ivy League—Mount Holyoke established higher education for women as a serious endeavor. The college's long, distinguished history of educating leaders arises from a powerful combination of the following:

- academic excellence in a global learning environment
- a tight-knit, diverse, and international community
- a worldwide network of influential alumnae
- the conviction that women can and should make a difference in the world

School Size and Setting: Mount Holyoke College (MHC) is located 90 minutes west of Boston and 3 hours north of New York City; the school has 2,200 undergraduate students. The campus is located in South Hadley, a small town in Western Massachusetts' Pioneer Valley, which is one of the most beautiful and intellectually vibrant places in New England.

Cultural Support Services: Mount Holyoke is dedicated to being an inclusive community. Many clubs, events, and classes at MHC are dedicated to multiculturalism and internationalism. UMMA, MHC's Muslim organization, meets often. There are many resources and events for Muslim students, e.g., weekly Jumaa prayer and Halal lunch with our Muslim Chaplain. During Ramadan, the dining halls extend their hours for Iftar meals. Additionally, Halal food is often served on campus and there are large catered Eid dinners.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Through the Five College Consortium—Mount Holyoke, Amherst, Hampshire, and Smith Colleges as well as the University of Massachusetts at Amherst—students can enjoy the vast resources of 4 prominent colleges and a flagship research university at no additional cost. A free bus service connects the Five Colleges, which are within a 12-mile radius.

Cost of Attendance: $53,596

Financial Aid: While Mount Holyoke expects the family to assume the primary financial responsibility and contribute to the maximum level of its ability, the college has a long tradition of meeting the full need of all admitted students as determined by the College. Merit-based awards range from $10,000-$25,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: The SAT is optional but TOEFL or IELTS is required. MHC has no specified minimum scores but students are more successful with at least 100 on TOEFL or 7 on IELTS.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 42%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision deadlines are November 15th and January 1st. The Regular Decision deadline is January 15th.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The deadlines are as follows: Early Decision I – November 15th, Early Decision II – January 1st, and Regular Decision – January15th.

Assistance with English: Limited

Point-of-Contact: Elizabeth DuMont-McCaffrey, Assistant Director of Admission, dumon20e@mtholyoke.edu

Website: www.mtholyoke.edu

NOTRE DAME OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY

Notre Dame of Maryland University

Baltimore, Maryland

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Behavioral Neuroscience, Chemistry, Computer Information Systems, Engineering (3-2 dual degree), Environmental Sustainability, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: For more than 100 years, Notre Dame has educated leaders who make a difference in their professional fields, families, communities, and the world. Founded by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Notre Dame of Maryland University has anticipated and met contemporary needs with visionary and pragmatic educational programs since 1873. Rooted in the Catholic traditions of the liberal arts and service to others, a Notre Dame-based education challenges students to strive for excellence, build inclusive communities, and promote social responsibility.

School Size and Setting: Notre Dame has 3,000 undergraduate and graduate students on a 58-acre campus located in a residential neighborhood close to Baltimore's cultural district. The school is a short trip to Washington, DC; Philadelphia; and New York, which adds to the availability of cultural, recreational, and professional opportunities for students.

Cultural Support Services: To accommodate students of diverse beliefs, Notre Dame provides a private prayer space. Students may also request to see a female health provider when making appointments at the Student Health Center.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Notre Dame participates in an academic consortium with local colleges and universities, which permits full-time students to take classes at its member institutions, including Loyola University, Towson University, Coppin State University, Goucher College, the Maryland Institute College of Art, Johns Hopkins University, and Morgan State University.

Cost of Attendance: Full-time tuition (12-17 credits per year) is $28,700; room & board is $9,900; and student fees are $1,000.

Financial Aid: Yes, academic scholarships and awards are available to eligible international students.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, SAT/ACT is required but TOEFL can be accepted in lieu of SAT/ACT; a minimum score of 500 required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Action deadline is December 1. Priority acceptance deadline is February 1.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th is the deadline for financial aid applications.

Assistance with English: The English Language Institute at Notre Dame provides an intensive English language program for non-native speakers. The sessions are 8 weeks and consist of classes in writing, grammar, reading, listening, speaking, pronunciation, vocabulary, TOEFL preparation, and American culture.

Point-of-Contact: Heidi Fletcher, Vice President for Enrollment Management, hroller@ndm.edu, admiss@ndm.edu

Website: www.ndm.edu

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana

STEM Majors Offered: Pre-professional (pre-med, pre-vet, pre-pharmacy, etc.); Biology, Medical Technology, Mathematics, Computer Information Systems, and Psychology. Minors include Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Studies, and Mathematics

Distinguishing Features: Students can pursue self-initiated undergraduate research projects with guidance from a faculty mentor. The campus's natural setting—organic fields, gardens, and orchard—can be used for class and research purposes. Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College is less than 3 miles from Jackson-Schneider Nature Preserve and Wabashiki Wetlands. The school has newly renovated biology facilities and 100% of STEM faculty has terminal degrees. The college has interdisciplinary Sciences and Mathematics Departments as well as a consortium, which enables broader availability of resources such as instrumentation and collaborations. Additionally, service learning and internship opportunities are available.

School Size and Setting: Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College has nearly 1,800 students and is located in a beautiful rural setting. It is approximately 78 miles west of Indianapolis and only 180 miles south of Chicago.

Cultural Support Services: Students will receive individualized support from student life staff while being immersed in all facets of our campus community. The school has accommodated dining options during religious holidays, prayer space, and female nursing staff on-site.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology and Indiana State University

Cost of Attendance: $40,000

Financial Aid: Tuition assistance is available.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The College has rolling admission. International students should complete their application by June 15 to ensure that all necessary documentation can be processed.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: No separate deadline for Financial Aid

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Amanda Springstead, Associate Director of Campus Admission, aspringstead@smwc.edu or Karen Dyer, Vice President of Advancement, KDyer@smwc.edu

Website: www.smwc.edu

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE
NOTRE DAME • INDIANA

Saint Mary's College
Notre Dame, Indiana

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Mathematics, Computational Mathematics, and Psychology. Saint Mary's College also offers a Dual Degree Engineering Program. Students in this 5-year program earn a BA or BS from Saint Mary's College and a BS in Engineering from the University of Notre Dame.

Distinguishing Features: Saint Mary's College teaches students mastery in the STEM fields and also how to effectively communicate that knowledge. Further, the college has a unique commitment to research at the undergraduate level. Every student completes a senior comprehensive research project or examination before graduating. Saint Mary's also offers students the opportunity to conduct research and engage in creative activity on a one-to-one basis with faculty through the Student Independent Study and Research (SISTAR) awards. These awards are given to student-faculty partnerships to support research and study in a variety of disciplines for 8 weeks during the summer.

School Size and Setting: Saint Mary's College has 1,469 women students. It is located in a suburban setting just north of South Bend, IN, and 95 miles from Chicago, IL.

Cultural Support Services: Special accommodations are made during Ramadan. Prayer spaces and female nurse practitioners are provided. An international student services professional is on staff to help students transition smoothly to study in the US, assist with immigration regulation questions, and provide resources and programs that help students engage with American culture and be successful in the classroom.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: The University of Notre Dame shares a long tradition with Saint Mary's College. The schools are united by being founded in the Catholic Holy Cross tradition and are directly across the street from one another. Students of both schools benefit from academic cross-registration. Pupils may also choose to collaborate on the student newspaper, enjoy social events, participate in shared clubs and organizations, and work together on community service activities.

Cost of Attendance: For 2013-2014, tuition and fees are $34,600; average double room & board is $10,560.

Financial Aid: Each applicant is reviewed for merit scholarships ranging from $5,000 to $20,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: No application fee is required.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: The SAT or ACT is required for native English speakers. Non-native English speakers are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS instead of the SAT or ACT.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 85%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 15th; Regular Decision is February 15th.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 1st

Assistance with English: The Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership at Saint Mary's College provides the intensive English Language School to non-native speakers ranging from beginner to advanced levels. The program focuses on preparing students for a U.S. higher education. Each day, there is a 5-hour session of classes in English focusing on reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Modern language laboratories are available for additional practice.

Point-of-Contact: Rachel Piontek, International Admission Coordinator, rpiontek@saintmarys.edu

Website: www.saintmarys.edu

Salem College

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Salem College features a Women-in-Science and Mathematics Program. Additionally, Salem offers internships and undergraduate research opportunities at the nearby biotech research park and the medical school.

School Size and Setting: Salem has 1,100 students and is located in a safe historic village just 4 blocks from the thriving downtown of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in the hub for biotech research.

Cultural Support Services: The school offers individualized services for dietary and religious needs. The health center has female doctors and counselors.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Cross-registration with Wake Forest University is available. Additionally, social and leadership opportunities exist with the other 3 institutions in the city.

Cost of Attendance: $35,964

Financial Aid: Yes, assistance is available in the sum of $8,000.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: One of these test scores—SAT, ACT, TOEFL, or IELTS–is required for admission.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 62%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: March 1st is the recommended deadline for admission.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 1st is recommended as the deadline for financial aid.

Assistance with English: The writing center is available for help with written assignments.

Point-of-Contact: Jessica Rodgers, International Admissions Representative, jessica.rogers@salem.edu; Esther Gonzalez, International Student Services Coordinator, esther.gonzalez@salem.edu; Katherine Knapp Watts, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, katherine.watts@salem.edu

Website: www.salem.edu (see www.salem.edu/salem-shines for international student video)

Scripps College
Claremont, California

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Economics, Engineering, Environmental Analysis, Human Biology, Management Engineering / 3-2 Engineering, Molecular Biology, Neuroscience, Organismal Biology, Physics, Psychology, Science and Management

Distinguishing Features:

- The W.M. Keck Science Department is sponsored by Scripps, Claremont McKenna, and Pitzer Colleges. Male and female students from all 3 enjoy classes and research opportunities in one facility. Scripps has the greatest proportion of its students enrolled in the W.M. Keck Science Department as science majors.
- Summer research support is available from internal & external sources (e.g., NSF STEP funds). Through an extensive summer research program, students receive paid 10-week fellowships to work with faculty.
- Accelerated Integrated Science Sequence (AISS) is an innovative, year-long introductory lecture-laboratory course integrating chemistry, biology, and physics. This intensive sequence is equivalent to 3 year-long introductory courses, which is most appropriate for those with a strong background in calculus and science.
- All majors, except for the 3/2 engineering program, pursue a senior thesis project. This experience helps to build the foundation for graduate school or professional research work.
- Students have access to fully equipped research labs and diverse instruments for leading-edge scientific research. There are no graduate students so faculty relies on undergraduates as research assistants and collaborators. Undergraduate students present research at professional conferences & author publications.

School Size and Setting: Scripps College's 950 students are part of a 5-college consortium with 5,500 students. The school is in Southern California about 35 miles east of Los Angeles in a rich cultural environment and beautiful natural setting. Mountains, desert, and beaches are all within driving distance. The College sponsors trips to visit museums, attend sporting events, and enjoy theater and music in Los Angeles.

Cultural Support Services: Juma'a Prayer is on Friday afternoons. Torah Study and Shabbat dinners are on Fridays. Female doctors are available throughout the student health service.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Students may cross-register for 2,500 courses and join in activities at 4 partner colleges—Claremont McKenna, Harvey Mudd, Pitzer, and Pomona—located within 1 mile of Scripps.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition, fees, and room & board total $59,570 annually.

Financial Aid: Need-based financial aid is available.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: For TOEFL (Scripps code #4693), a minimum of 600 is required on the paper-based test or 100 on the internet-based exam. The minimum required IELTS score is 7.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 33-38%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision I is November 15th; Early Decision II & Regular Decision is January 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: Writing tutors are available.

Point-of-Contact: Victoria Romero, Vice President for Enrollment, victoria.romero@scrippscollege.edu

Website: http://www.scrippscollege.edu/

Simmons College

Boston, Massachusetts

(Last updated by college in 2012)

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Biostatistics, Chemistry, Chemistry Management, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Information Technology, Mathematics, Physics, Psychobiology, and Web Development

Distinguishing Features: Simmons' science programs are designed to help majors build competence and confidence through extensive contact with modern equipment, first-hand research experiences, and easy access to the faculty. Simmons also offers a program called Women in Materials (WIM), which is designed to enhance undergraduate coursework.

School Size and Setting: Simmons is best known for its small classes, access to faculty, internship and research opportunities, and the beautiful, traditional residential campus. Located in the heart of Boston, Simmons College encompasses the many benefits of a small university of approximately 2,000 undergraduates in the nation's best college town.

Cultural Support Services: Simmons provides a special Ramadan Table serving Halal meat dishes every night at sunset, and the Islamic Society also reserves a room for sunset prayer. Ablution Facilities and prayer/reflection space is available. A catered Kosher meal plan is available for Passover.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Simmons is a member of the Colleges of the Fenway (COF), which is a collaboration of 6 academic institutions in the area. COF gives students the opportunity to engage and interact with other pupils, organizations, and classes at partner colleges as well as offers activities for international students.

Cost of Attendance: The undergraduate full-time tuition is $34,350; room & board is $13,400.

Financial Aid: While Simmons College does not offer need-based financial aid to international students, the school awards scholarships based on academic achievement ranging from $5,000 to full tuition.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: For native English speakers, SAT or ACT scores are required if the test is available to the student. If English is not the native language, students must submit official scores for either the TOEFL or IELTS.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 47%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The non-binding Early Action deadline is December 1st. The Regular Decision deadline is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: No information on financial aid is available.

Assistance with English: No

Point-of-Contact: Catherine Capolupo, Assistant Director, catherine.capolupo@simmons

Website: www.simmons.edu/undergraduate

Smith College
Northampton, Massachusetts

STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Environmental Science and Policy, Geosciences, Marine Science, Mathematics, Neuroscience, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Smith College has a preeminent position in science education that is broadly-acknowledged across multiple disciplines; in fact, 30% of Smith's students major in the sciences. Students learn from professors who are top scholars in their fields and work with state-of-the-art equipment and laboratory instrumentation. Notable facilities include the Young Science Library, one of the largest college science libraries in the United States; MacLeish Field Station, a 200-acre site for field-based education and research, environmental study, and experiential learning; and Ford Hall, a teaching and research facility for the Picker Engineering Program, computer science, chemistry, biochemistry, and molecular biology. Ford Hall, a $73 million LEED-certified building, is the largest and most sophisticated facility built exclusively for women science and engineering students. In the past 10 years, Smith has won more National Science Foundation funding for research—in excess of $14 million—than any other liberal arts college in the nation.

School Size and Setting: Smith consists of 2,600 undergraduates located in a small city two hours west of Boston, MA.

Cultural Support Services: The Dean for International Students, Dean of Multicultural Affairs, Director of Institutional Diversity, and Dean of Religious Life are available to students needing support. Halal and Kosher dining options and special consideration during Ramadan are available. Additionally, there is prayer space, female medical staff at health services, individual counseling, and a variety of student cultural organizations.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Smith is a member of the Five College Consortium with Amherst College, Mount Holyoke College, Hampshire College, and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Cost of Attendance: $57,250 for 2013-2014

Financial Aid: The school will meet the full demonstrated need, which—in some cases— can be up to the cost of attendance including books, supplies, and transportation allowance. The number of awards varies; in 2012-13, Smith aided 40 new first-year international students with an average grant of $51,343 ($1,680 to $51,898).

Application Fee Waiver: There is no charge for applying online; waivers are available for paper applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: International citizens must submit SAT / ACT scores. If the student's language of instruction is not English, TOEFL or IELTS is required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 42% (rates are lower for international students requesting aid)

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The deadline for Early Decision I is November 15th. For Early Decision II, it is January 1st; Regular Decision applications are due by January 15th.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: Writing and quantitative skills tutoring are available; however, proficiency in English is required for admission.

Point-of-Contact: Karen Kristof, Senior Associate Director of Admission, kkristof@smith.edu

Website: www.smith.edu or http://www.smith.edu/admission/international.php

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Spelman College
Atlanta, Georgia

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Computer and Information Sciences, Dual Degree Engineering, Environmental Science Studies, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: In 2008, the National Science Foundation ranked Spelman College second-greatest producer of black PhD's in STEM. In 2006, 29.3% of all black PhDs in STEM earned their bachelor's degrees at historically black colleges and universities (HBCU). Spelman opened state-of-the-art Albro-Falconer-Manley Science Center in 2001. Other features include pre-freshman summer programs with focuses in biomedicine/health or mathematics/CIS/physical sciences and engineering. There is the Health Careers Office; Office of Science, Engineering, and Technical Careers; and the Math Lab. Spelman has Memorandums of Understanding with the Environmental Protection Agency, Princeton University, and the Department of Transportation. Several research training programs are available. Local collaborations exist with the Atlanta University Consortium, Georgia Tech, Emory, and Georgia State University. A dual-degree in Engineering Program is available at 14 Participating Engineering Schools. SpelBots and a robotics team (which competed in 3 RoboCups) are unique at Spelman; the school is the only undergraduate women's HBCU team to ever qualify. Student achievement groups include WISE Scholars, Xerox Scholars, Boeing Scholars, Exxon Mobil Scholars, Department of Energy Scholars, NSF STEM Scholars, and Health Disparities Scholars.

School Size and Setting: Spelman College has 2,100 students. Spelman is a private, independent, and urban 4-year liberal arts college for women offering BA and BS degrees.

Cultural Support Services: New international student accommodations are made for pupils observing Ramadan. Additional features include prayer space and vegan bar. Diverse culturally-based student organizations and programs are available along with assistance from the Office of International Student Services. Annual Georgia International Student Leadership Conference, AMIS International Friendship Program, and Student Affairs Host Family Program are available at Spelman College.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Partnerships exist with Morehouse, Clark Atlanta, Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC), and Morehouse School of Medicine.

Cost of Attendance: $36,479

Financial Aid: Spelman College does not offer tuition waivers but scholarships are offered on a limited basis to outstanding students who have demonstrated financial need.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL is required for non-native English speakers; otherwise, the SAT or the ACT is required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 39%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 1st, Early Action is November 15th, and Regular Decision is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 1st

Assistance with English: All students are required to be able to read and write in English prior to matriculation, but the comprehensive writing center and tutoring are available.

Point-of-Contact: Erica Johnson, Associate Director of Admission, esjohnson@spelman.edu

Website: www.spelman.edu

St. Catherine University
Saint Paul, Minnesota

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry (3 tracks—Chemistry, Biochemistry, and American Chemical Society-certified Chemistry), Mathematics, Nutrition, Pre-Engineering, and Psychology. Actuarial Science, Physics, and Computer Science are available via Associated Colleges of the Twin Cities (ACTC) Consortium.

Distinguishing Features: As one of the largest and most innovative universities for women in the United States, St. Catherine is ranked #14 Best Midwestern University by the *US News & World Report*. St. Catherine offers research experiences to undergraduate students. STEM minors and certificates are available to students in all majors. Additional features include the National Center for STEM Elementary Education as well as social and professional development events for all STEM students including help with job searches, interviews, and resumes.

School Size and Setting: St. Catherine has approximately 5,000 students in an urban residential neighborhood setting; 3,800 students are in undergraduate programs.

Cultural Support Services: A full-time international student advisor is on staff. A 3.5-day comprehensive international student orientation is offered to international students along with ongoing advising on immigration as well as cultural and academic matters. Career development services include assistance in finding internships. Female doctors and staff are available at the Health & Wellness Center. Vegetarian options are offered in the dining hall and prayer space exists on campus. There are several mosques within the Twin Cities metropolitan area, and the campus has active student groups including the Muslim Student Association and the St. Catherine International Student Organization.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: ACTC includes St. Catherine University, St. Thomas University, Macalester College, Hamline University, and Augsburg College. Students can cross-register for courses.

Cost of Attendance: The cost of attendance for 2013-2014 was $38,526 to $47,142 depending on credit load.

Financial Aid: Scholarships of up to 45% for tuition and room & board are available for students living on campus. For students living off campus, scholarships are available of up to 45% of just the tuition costs.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL minimum is 61 IBT or 500 PBT. IELTS minimum is 6.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 54% of all applicants are admitted to the undergraduate program.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: March 15th is the priority deadline for students interested in scholarships.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 15th

Assistance with English: English classes and tutors are available for non-native speakers who have met the TOEFL / IELTS admission minimum.

Point-of-Contact: Aimee Thostenson, Associate Director of International Admission, aethostenson@stkate.edu or international@stkate.edu

Website: www.stkate.edu

Stephens College
Columbia, Missouri

STEM Majors Offered: BS in Biology with the option of a Health Science Track (preparation for medical and veterinary professional study); BS in Biology with the Laboratory Science Track (preparation for doctoral studies); BA in Biology that prepares women for a 3:2 Master's in Physician Assistant Studies at Chatham College or 3:2 Master's in Occupational Therapy at Washington University; and BS in Psychology. (At the graduate level, a doctoral program in Physical Therapy is available through Chatham College.)

Distinguishing Features: Special degrees list and research-oriented programs are above.

School Size and Setting: Stephens College has approximately 700 women living in the dorms and residential suites. Students enjoy a wide selection of cultural events and artistic performances on campus and in town. The College prides itself on small classes as well as close faculty-student interactions and support. Located at the edge of a thriving college-friendly downtown area, Stephens is within walking distance of downtown amenities, the Islamic Center of Central Missouri, and the University of Missouri campus.

Cultural Support Services: Stephens has a full-time female nurse on staff. Stephens is a small school and can be quite flexible in accommodating individualized needs. At this time, the college cannot accommodate a full Kosher or Halal diet but other arrangements may be possible. Stephens College has dorm apartments with kitchens where students can prepare their own food. Within walking distance is the Islamic Center of Central Missouri. The University of Missouri hosts the Muslim Student Organization and Stephens students can join.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Stephens participates in the Mid-Missouri Association of Colleges and Universities. Students of member institutions may take classes at any of the schools for no additional charge. Institutions with this agreement that are located within walking distance include the University of Missouri and Columbia College. Other participating schools are in nearby towns.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition and room & and board ranges from $33,190 for a shared room and a flex meal plan to $37,190 for a single apartment-style room and an unlimited meal plan.

Financial Aid: International students are eligible for academic merit scholarship awards of up to $8,000 but must take SAT or ACT for consideration. The average award is approximately $7,500. There is also a separate competitive application for scholarships available to incoming freshman

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, application fee waivers are available upon request.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: No SAT or ACT scores are required for international applicants. TOEFL scores should be 79 for the internet test, 213 on the computer, or 550 on paper.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 65%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 15th, Early Action is January 1st, and Regular Decision is rolling after January 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 1st is the financial aid application deadline.

Assistance with English: Tutoring may be available but there is no formal ESL program.

Point-of-Contact: Killian Kramer, Admissions Manager, kkramer@stephens.edu

Website: http://www.stephens.edu

Sweet Briar College

Sweet Briar, Virginia

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Engineering Science, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Sweet Briar offers an ABET-approved engineering program that is a cross between electrical and mechanical engineering. The engineering curriculum includes design components in introductory courses so that students understand early in their studies what one can do as an engineer. Sweet Briar offers an Honors Program, which includes an opportunity for students to perform cutting-edge primary research to explore a topic of interest.

School Size and Setting: Sweet Briar College has 650 students on its rural campus of 3,250 acres.

Cultural Support Services: Sweet Briar provides as-needed individualized support to its students. For international students, Sweet Briar has an advisor who primarily provides cultural and adjustment support to aid international students in navigating college and the US in general. This advisor also works to place international students with a host family in the local area. These host families help provide residence possibilities during college breaks when the residence halls are closed, invite the student for dinner periodically, take the student shopping for school supplies if necessary, and assist with similar activities.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Sweet Briar students can register for classes at 3 other area colleges. Students can also seek social outlets on area college campuses.

Cost of Attendance: For the 2013-2014 academic year, cost of attendance is $45,525.

Financial Aid: Merit-based scholarship opportunities exist up to a maximum of $20,000 per year. Engineering students can apply for additional scholarships at http://sbc.edu/engineering/scholarships.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, an application fee waiver is available in case of financial need.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL is preferred but students may submit IELTS, SAT, or ACT in place of TOEFL scores. The minimum TOEFL score to be admitted is 79 on the IBT; the minimum IELTS score is 6.5.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 82% overall

Common Application Accepted: Yes, the common application is accepted with an institution-specific supplement, which is available online.

Application Deadline: February 1st is the application deadline.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Students must apply for admission by February 1st to be considered for scholarship assistance.

Assistance with English: Peer-to-peer tutoring in academic subjects is available but there is no English language assistance.

Point-of-Contact: Abigail Davis, Admissions Counselor, adavis@sbc.edu or admissions@sbc.edu

Website: www.sbc.edu

Ursuline VALUES·VOICE·VISION

Ursuline College

Cleveland, Ohio

STEM Majors Offered: Biology (pre-med and pre-professional), Biology-Life Science, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Pre-Engineering, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features:

- 92% female student population
- Majority of faculty and administration are female
- 100% female full-time faculty in Mathematics and Chemistry
- Small classes with 8:1 student-to-faculty ratio
- Interactive pedagogy based on *Women's Ways of Knowing*
- Safe campus with strong track record of acceptance into medical and professional schools

School Size and Setting: Ursuline College has approximately 1,450 students, 180 of whom live in the residence halls. The school is located in Pepper Pike, Ohio, which is a suburb of Cleveland. Ursuline's campus is in an extremely safe area and has 110-plus wooded acres. Many cultural opportunities are available in Cleveland (http://www.cleveland.com/arts).

Cultural Support Services: The Office of Multicultural Affairs provides ethnic programming for the entire college community. Cleveland has many diverse ethnic communities and resources. The dining hall has extended hours during Ramadan. Prayer spaces include the non-denominational college chapel, designated areas in the residence hall, an outdoor Peace Pole, and an outdoor labyrinth.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: John Carroll University and Notre Dame College have partnerships with Ursuline College. Additionally, Ursuline has articulation agreements with the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine and a master's in engineering program at Cleveland State University.

Cost of Attendance: The estimated tuition is $26,490; room & board is $8,900.

Financial Aid: International students are eligible for merit and athletic scholarships. Merit scholarships are awarded up to $10,000 per year and are based on GPA and standardized test scores (ACT or SAT). Athletic scholarships of variable amounts are awarded to students recruited directly by the Athletic Department.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, fees are waived for online applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL score of 61 or IELTS of 6.0

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 88%

Common Application Accepted: Yes, the common application is permitted.

Application Deadline: Ursuline College has rolling admission but international students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible to ensure that all required materials are submitted in time. Sufficient time is also needed for the institution to issue all paperwork required for the visa process.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: International students must meet the minimum English proficiency requirements. Tutoring for English Composition is available via Ursuline Resources for Success in Academics (URSA).

Point-of-Contact: Stephanie Ratkovich, Admission Counselor & Coordinator of International Admission, stephanie.ratkovich@ursuline.edu

Website: www.ursuline.edu

University of Saint Joseph

West Hartford, Connecticut

STEM Majors Offered: Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Mathematics with a concentration in Computer Science, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: University of Saint Joseph is ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* in the top tier of Best Regional Colleges in the Northeast. It is also a member of the Colleges of Distinction and the Center for Student Opportunity. Average class size is 16; student-to-faculty ratio is 11:1, allowing for mentorship and personal attention. Symposium Day is an annual event held each spring. It is a celebration of scholarship, designed to carry out the College's mission "to develop the potential of women," by offering our students the opportunity to publicly demonstrate their research and creative accomplishments. A wide array of academic and professional studies are featured in panel discussions and poster presentations including biology, chemistry, history, ecology, art, women's issues, health, and more. Health Professions and Biomedical Science Program helps students interested in science, health, biology and chemistry pick a profession that is right for them. Students are provided the education, structure, support, and encouragement students need to be successful and attain their goals. The Honors Program combines intensive class work with practical experiences NCAA Division III Athletics with teams in basketball, cross country, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, tennis and volleyball.

School Size and Setting: The college has 2500+ undergraduate, graduate and professional students. Our students enjoy living and learning on USJs beautiful 84-acre campus located in West Hartford, CT because it offers the best of both worlds-a classic New England look and up-to-date facilities. West Hartford is half-way between New York City and Boston.

Cultural Support Services: The food service provider works with individuals who have dietary needs. In addition, each residence hall has a kitchen and students can elect to be exempt from the meal plan and cook their own food. The health service facility is staffed with all female doctors and nurses. A dedicated prayer room is available in one of the residence halls.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Students can cross-register for courses at the 11 member colleges and universities of the Hartford Consortium for Higher Learning in the greater Hartford area.

Cost of Attendance: $46,700 for tuition, room & board, and fees

Financial Aid: Merit scholarships ranging from $5,000 to $20,000

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT/ACT or TOEFL/IELTS

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 50%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling Admissions, International priority deadline is April 1.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Priority deadline is February 1.

Assistance with English: Tutoring is available via the Center for Academic Excellence and a new ESL program is beginning this fall.

Point-of-Contact: Sarah McInnis, Co-Director of Admissions, smcinnis@usj.edu

Website: www.usj.edu

Wellesley College

Wellesley, Massachusetts

STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Astrophysics, Biological Sciences, Biological Chemistry, Chemistry, Cognitive and Linguistic Sciences, Computer Science, Environmental Studies, Geosciences, Mathematics, Media Arts and Sciences, Neuroscience, Physics, and Psychology. In addition, Wellesley offers the following programs, which are of significant interest to many students majoring in STEM: Pre-Medical Advisory Program, Certificate of Engineering (jointly with the Olin College of Engineering), Certificate of Sustainability (jointly with Babson College and Olin College of Engineering), and the Madeleine Korbel Albright Institute of Global Affairs.

Distinguishing Features: Wellesley students and alumnae are a diverse and dynamic group and include leadership role models such as current and former Secretaries of State Hillary Clinton and Madeleine Albright, NASA astronaut Pamela Melroy, and ABC News journalist Diane Sawyer. More than 10% of the 2,300 students on campus are international. Wellesley's broad curriculum encompasses over 1,000 courses and 53 majors. With an 8:1 student-faculty ratio, Wellesley professors are very accessible and eager to involve students in research of their own.

School Size and Setting: Wellesley has 2,300 undergraduate students at its suburban location that is 12 miles west of Boston.

Cultural Support Services: Wellesley offers the Host Families Program for international students, international students' cultural and advising center, Halal and Kosher dining options, the Muslim Student Association, daily and Friday prayer services, Halaqas, a Muslim chaplain, multi-faith center, and female doctors at health services.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Cross-registration programs are available with Babson College, Brandeis University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and the Olin College of Engineering.

Cost of Attendance: $57,042

Financial Aid: Generous need-based financial aid awards are available for international students. Awards meet 100% of demonstrated financial aid need as loans are not offered.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes. There is also no application fee for applications submitted online.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, SAT-I plus two subject tests or the ACT with writing are required. TOEFL or IELTS is strongly recommended for applicants from non-English-based high school curricula.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: The admission rate is 28% overall for US citizens, permanent residents, and international applicants not seeking financial aid, and 10% for international citizens seeking aid.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision (ED) deadline is November 1st, Early Evaluation (EE) is January 1st, and Regular Decision (RD) is January 15th. International citizens and non-US permanent residents seeking aid should apply RD.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: November 1st is the financial aid deadline for ED; January 15th is the deadline for EE and RD.

Assistance with English: No

Point-of-Contact: Milena Mareva, Associate Director of Admission, mmareva@wellesley.edu

Website: www.wellesley.edu/web/Admission

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Wesleyan College
Macon, Georgia

STEM Majors Offered: Applied Mathematical Sciences, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Mathematics and Dual-Degree Engineering, Neuroscience, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Wesleyan was the first college chartered to grant degrees to women; 25% of the class is international students. International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma graduates may receive up to 30 credit hours upon matriculation.

School Size and Setting: Wesleyan College has over 700 students on its 200-acre campus in Macon, GA, which is an hour south of Atlanta.

Cultural Support Services: A number of support services are available to students including via the food service, health service, counseling services, international student orientation, the International Student Association, and interfaith initiatives.

Relationships with Nearby Colleges: Yes, there is a partnership with 3 colleges in Macon, Georgia.

Cost of Attendance: For the 2013-2014 academic year, the cost is $28,250.

Financial Aid: Full and partial tuition scholarships are available.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, there is no fee for all online applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 42%

Common Application Accepted: Students can apply on-line at www.wesleyancollege.edu/apply .

Application Deadline: For Early Decision, the deadline is November 15th; to receive a scholarship, the deadline is January 15th; and the Regular Admission deadline February 15th. Wesleyan College also maintains a rolling admission policy.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th is the financial aid deadline.

Assistance with English: Tutoring is available through our Academic Center.

Point-of-Contact: Anna Mishina Cooper, Assistant Director of Admissions, amishina@wesleyancollege.edu

Website: www.wesleyancollege.edu

The Women's College at Brenau University
Gainesville, Georgia

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Health Science, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Students can participate in research starting in their sophomore year; new opportunities that take advantage of wonderful resources in nearby Atlanta include:

- The Endangered Plant Program involves working to cultivate endangered native Georgia plants and repopulate the state.
- Animal behavioral research in conjunction with the Georgia Aquarium that includes work with whale sharks, sea otters, beluga whales, and penguins.
- Avian behavioral research in conjunction with the Atlanta Zoo, which seeks to minimize destructive repetitive behaviors by animals and improve psychological enrichment opportunities.
- Pedagogical research to develop meaningful and successful chemistry laboratories for students.
- Collaboration with local healthcare entities in the community to identify risk factors for obesity and diabetes among residents.

School Size and Setting: Brenau University is located in a suburban setting near Lake Lanier in Gainesville, GA. Total university enrollment is approximately 2,800 students; the Women's College traditional residential program has approximately 900 students.

Cultural Support Services: Special dietary needs can be arranged through Dining Services. Religious information is available through the Spiritual Life Office. The Center for Health and Well Being is available for all students; a dedicated physician is available twice per month for female issues.

Cost of Attendance: Cost of tuition, room & board, and technology fees is $31,490 per year.

Financial Aid: Academic scholarships are awarded to international students based on academic credentials.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: ACT composite score of 18, IELTS score of 5, SAT total of 900 (verbal 450). Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score requirements: 500 on the paper-based test, 173 on the computer-based test, or 61 on the internet-based test. Alternative to TOEFL is a grade C or better in EH 101 & EH 102 from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university. The Brenau placement test will be administered to all international students admitted on a student visa to select the appropriate level of English courses.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 48%

Common Application Accepted: No

Application Deadline: Rolling admission allows the student to apply at any time. However, applicants should keep in mind the time necessary to process the application and receive a visa appointment.

Assistance with English: The Writing Center is available for all students. The Brenau-affiliated English Language Program is available for Graduate MBA students.

Point-of-Contact: Luxi Zhang, Director for International Students, lzhang1@brenau.edu

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